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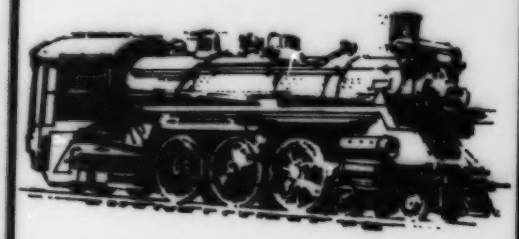

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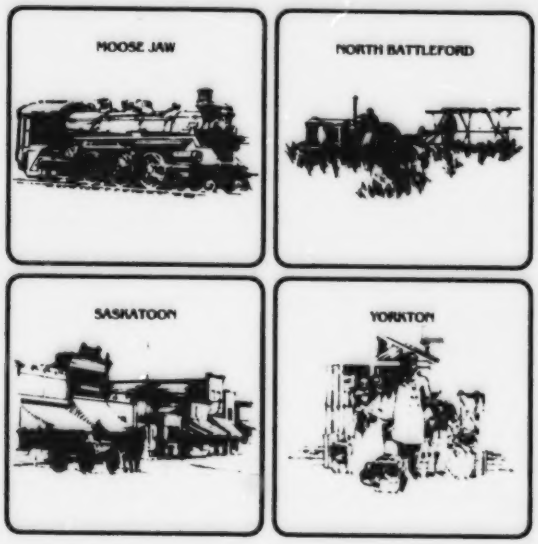

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Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 1985.

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The Saskatchewan Western Development Museums are a province-wide network of four museums which preserve the history of settlement in the Canadian West. Branch museums in Moose Jaw, North Battleford, Saskatoon and Yorkton have their own distinct theme, each of which contributes to a colourful and comprehensive treatment of western development from the settlement period to the present.

The public is served primarily through exhibits and programs delivered through the branch museums. Preparation and background work, however, is usually carried out by staff in a Provincial Service Centre which also safely stores the WDM artifact collection not on current display. Cooperation among staff and volunteer groups is the key to final success in almost all programs. The Museum activities are directed by the Western Development Museum Act which outlines objectives of the museum in relation to the preservation and interpretation of the history of the economic and cultural development of western Canada.

BOARD CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

As Chairman of the Saskatchewan Western Development Museums, it is a pleasure to report that significant progress was made in a number of key areas of Museum operation during the past year.

The new Provincial Service Centre was brought into full operation in November, when an official opening was held. The process of relocating artifacts from various unsatisfactory storage locations to the controlled environment of the Service Centre is underway. Restoration work by Museum staff also began in the Service Centre with the complete overhaul of a George White steam traction engine.

The official opening of the expansion to the Yorkton Museum, also made possible through capital funding from the Province, took place in May 1984. This addition provides education/public programming rooms, limited artifact storage, cataloguing areas, restoration space and administrative offices.

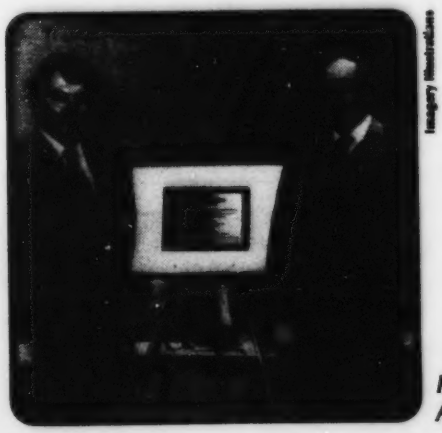
Another major project completed during the year was the final, working condition restoration of a 1928 Saskatchewan Wheat Pool elevator at the North Battleford Museum. This restoration, made possible through the generous support of the Saskatchewan Wheat Pool, was officially opened in August 1984 in a colourful ceremony reminiscent of an actual 1920s elevator opening.

A new Executive Director, Dr. David R. Richeson, joined the WDM in July and immediately began to implement the Board's objectives in terms of collections rationalization and exhibition planning, processes which will take several years to complete.

The artifact collections of the Museum grew at a controlled pace during the year with the acquisition of 1797 artifacts. This reflects the major effort put into the work of relocating much of the existing collection and represents a planned program which will eventually see the WDM with a smaller, more manageable collection of higher quality artifacts.

Public response to the WDM remained positive during the year with overall attendance consistent with the previous year's total.

The Board of the WDM, throughout the year, continued to pursue a policy of responsible expenditure of funds while at the same time ensuring that collections and exhibits received appropriate professional care and attention.



Hon. Rick Folk (right) and Board Chairman, Orme Asher officially open Provincial Service Centre.

MUSEUM REPORTS

MOOSE JAW

The Moose Jaw branch of the WDM presents exhibits on the theme of transportation. The year in Moose Jaw was one of reorganization under a new Manager, Ms. Virginia Hatch Stewart. Exhibits were altered to create an introductory recent acquisitions area to more adequately display some of the year's new accessions, including a 1934 Ford tank truck from Trimac and an electric car from Saskatchewan Power.

"Travelling Toys" a transportation theme toy exhibit was a special highlight at Christmas.

Travelling Toys

NORTH BATTLEFORD

Agriculture and town life in the 1920s are the major exhibit themes at the North Battleford branch. The year's major event was the opening of the restored 1928 Saskatchewan Wheat Pool elevator from Keatley. This elevator has become a landmark for the Museum and historical village which will enter a new era as expansion and redevelopment plans prepared during the year are put into effect.

The most exciting program event of the summer was the August "Those Were The Days" show which featured activities and demonstrations keyed to the Museum's themes.

Elevator centrepiece during "Those Were The Days"

SASKATOON

The theme of western economic development, featuring the popular recreation of a 1910-1914 "Boomtown" street as the major exhibit, is the focus at the Saskatoon branch Museum. The Museum underwent a considerable behind-the-scenes reorganization and physical change during the year as a result of the gradual removal of staff, shops and artifact storage to the new Provincial Service Centre. The space acquired as a result of these changes will eventually be used for new and expanded museum exhibits. Planning began for these exhibits as well as for changes and improvements needed in the Museum's public facilities.

Four program events marked the Saskatoon Museum year: The July Exhibition with its Pioneer Circle demonstrations, Folkfest in August with the Pioneer Pavilion, the September school threshing and harvest demonstration, and Christmas 1910 on Boomtown Street. Each of these programs depends upon the active support of the Museum's volunteers. The Museum also sponsored a Steam Engineer's Course to train operators of vintage steam equipment.

Imagery Illustrations

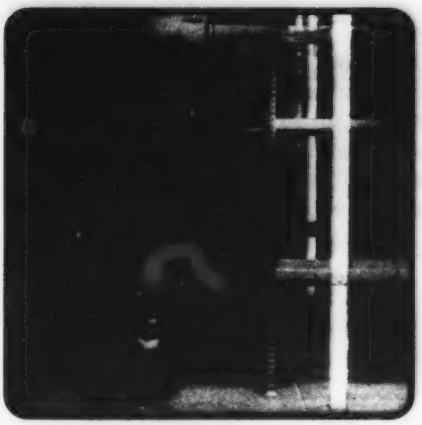
Pioneer Circle demonstrations

YORKTON

The Yorkton Museum presents the history of the people of Saskatchewan. To facilitate this, an Explainer's program of volunteer staff was set up during the year to make use of the newly opened educational work areas at the Museum and to expand regular programming such as the grade three "Christmas party." The year's highlight was the official opening of the new addition to the Museum, an event equalled by the August Threshermen's Show and Seniors' Festival which attracted 6500 people. New restoration areas in the Museum were used by the Yorkton Threshermen's Club to carry out restoration on a Happy Farmer gas tractor. Planning was also begun for substantial exhibit reorganization which will enhance the Museum's theme.

Photography By Mick

Official opening of addition to Yorkton Museum (left to right) Mayor John Wytrykush, Hon. Rick Folk, Orme Asher (WDM Board Chairman), Russell Anderson (President Yorkton Threshermen's Club).



Imagery Illustrations

Tour of storage areas part of Provincial Service Centre opening.

PROVINCIAL SERVICE CENTRE

Museum staff began to occupy the renovated 130,000 sq. foot building at 2935 Melville Street in Saskatoon in April 1984. Between that time and the official opening November 30th, collections were moved, shelving erected, shops equipped, and final interior finishing was completed. This Service Centre has become the key to the effectiveness of the Saskatchewan Western Development Museums network system. It provides specialized, safe, secure, environmentally controlled storage for all of the WDM artifact collections which are not currently on display in the branch Museums. When the collections relocation is finally completed in 1987, nearly 50 per cent of the artifact collection will be housed in the Centre.

Beyond its primary function of artifact storage, the Provincial Service Centre provides space for offices and work areas for six museum programs:

COLLECTIONS

Artifact records and locations are the concern of the Collections program. In addition to the work of monitoring the relocation of collections to the new storage building, staff regularly handle inquiries regarding donations and loans. During the year, 1797 artifacts were added to the collection. Artifact records are entered into a computer based collections information system, which is a part of a national collections inventory. This work of the information system was greatly assisted during the year by a grant for Registration Assistance received from the National Museums of Canada.

CONSERVATION/ARTIFACT CARE

Lack of resources and trained staff in the area of artifact conservation remains a problem. Existing staff emphasize preventative maintenance and undertake a limited number of restoration projects with volunteer assistance. The past year saw the completion of the restoration of a George White steam traction engine, the continuation of the Cessna Crane restoration, the restoration of a Happy Farmer gas tractor and work on problems found in the Museum's extension artifact collection used for demonstration of agricultural technology during the summer shows at North Battleford, Saskatoon and Yorkton. In Moose Jaw the popular Short Line railway equipment also required maintenance work.

To facilitate future work, a restoration parts storage area was constructed in the Provincial Service Centre into which the present dispersed parts collection will be moved and consolidated.

Restoration of Happy Farmer in progress during Member's Night at Yorkton Branch.

EXHIBITS

Exhibit planning work was a major activity during the second half of the year when a comprehensive review of all existing WDM exhibits, research and past exhibit plans began. This review involved all senior staff at the Museum and will result in the production of a Master Exhibit Plan complete with planning projections for the coming five years.

Temporary exhibits in the branch museums continued to be provided to give visitors access to a range of subjects and collections from other museums.

INCOMING TEMPORARY EXHIBITION SCHEDULE
1 April 1984 — 31 March 1985

*Colony Trek Paintings:

From: the artist, Dean Bauche
At: North Battleford
Saskatoon

*Asia Month:

From: Asian Cultural Society of Saskatchewan
At: Saskatoon

Historic Trails of Alberta's Southwest:

From: Sierra Club
At: Saskatoon
North Battleford

Pioneering Women:

From: Provincial Museum of Alberta
At: Yorkton
Saskatoon
North Battleford
Moose Jaw

Meteorites:

From: Provincial Museum of Alberta
At: Saskatoon

The Salt Marsh:

From: Nova Scotia Museum
At: Saskatoon
North Battleford

Birds of Alberta:
From: Provincial Museum of Alberta
At: Saskatoon

Vilhelmina to Wilhelmina:

From: Embassy of Sweden
At: Moose Jaw
Yorkton
Saskatoon

*Visual Arts:

From: Saskatoon Parks and Recreation
At: Saskatoon

Swiss Picture Books:

From: International Programme
At: Saskatoon

With Brush and Palette: Peter Rindisbacher:

From: International Programme
At: Yorkton
Saskatoon

***Life and Work of John Gibson:**

From: Brock Silversides, curator
At: Moose Jaw

***Agatha Stupnikoff Paintings:**

From: the artist, Agatha Stupnikoff
At: North Battleford

*Organized in Saskatchewan

EDUCATION

Education activities for the year stressed the development of the Explainer's Programs in Yorkton and North Battleford, using volunteer staff trained by WDM staff and outside resource people. A slide/tape program on "Women of the Prairies" was produced during the year to supplement the library of past resource materials available for educational use. Special efforts were made to have seasonal theme shows and programs at branch Museums.

The WDM sponsored a successful Wheelwright training course using the facilities at the new Provincial Service Centre. Demand for places in the course was so great that the course will be offered in the future on an annual rather than a biannual basis.

The "Sparks Off The Anvil" newsletter continued to be a popular outreach vehicle linking members of the various branch volunteer groups and staff in other related programs.

Roy Musgrove provides instruction during Wheelwright training course.

PUBLIC RELATIONS AND PROMOTIONS

The Public Relations and Promotions Program has focused on strengthening its base through development of an advertising strategy and utilizing specially designed formats, resulting in a more consistent visual image.

Attention to this visual image has continued through use of brochure materials and preparation of a brochure distribution strategy. A portable promotional display was also acquired, with assistance from Saskatchewan Tourism and Small Business.

Media contact was maintained on a regular basis, and the monthly "Sparks Supplement" newsletter provided a vehicle for dispensing information to the media as well as to Members.

The Membership Program began a second year of operation, with an increase of approximately 10% recorded. The total membership now exceeds 600.

Liaison with various publics was maintained, often through special events and programs which were planned with branch personnel for implementation at the local level.

RESEARCH

Research for the year primarily served the demands for information related to the artifact relocation program. Comprehensive reviews of artifacts by category were planned with an initial report completed on water and oil drills in the Museum collection. Demand continued for information and photographs from the WDM Library, which during the year acquired significant additions to its extensive collection of agricultural and transportation operators manuals, repair manuals and parts guides.

Western Development Museum

George White steam traction engine moved into Service Centre.

PUBLIC RESPONSE
ATTENDANCE FIGURES FOR 1984-1985

	Individual	Group	School	Special Events	1984/85 Total
Moose Jaw	27,692	1,536	3,901	315	33,444
North Battleford	21,225	1,152	3,318	4,000	29,695
Saskatoon	45,927	24,172	14,600	41,177	125,936
Yorkton	6,953	330	2,218	6,909	16,410
	101,797	27,190	24,097	52,401	205,485

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THE WESTERN DEVELOPMENT MUSEUM FUND

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
Year Ended March 31, 1985

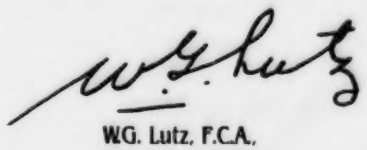
Office of the Provincial Auditor
Regina, Saskatchewan

AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of the Legislative Assembly
Province of Saskatchewan

I have examined the balance sheet of The Western Development Museum Fund as at March 31, 1985, and the revenue fund statement of revenue and expenditure and fund equity and the special projects fund statement of transactions by project for the year then ended. My examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests and other procedures as I considered necessary in the circumstances, except for donations and grants from the Government of Canada where my examination was limited to the verification of amounts recorded in the accounts.

In my opinion, except for the effect of adjustments, if any, which I might have determined to be necessary had I been able to satisfy myself as to the completeness of donations and grants from the Government of Canada, these financial statements present fairly the financial position of the Western Development Museum Fund as at March 31, 1985, and the results of its operations for the year then ended in accordance with the disclosed basis of accounting applied, after giving retroactive effect to the change in accounting for transaction activity in the special projects fund as explained in Note 6 to the financial statements, on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.



Regina, Saskatchewan
July 19, 1985.

W.G. Lutz, F.C.A.
Provincial Auditor

THE WESTERN DEVELOPMENT MUSEUM FUND
BALANCE SHEET
As at March 31

REVENUE FUND

ASSETS

	1985	1984
Current:		
Cash and short term investments	$ 177,517	$ 667,736
Accounts receivable	18,138	15,575
Inventories at the lower of cost or replacement cost	79,073	67,668
Prepaid expenses	4,679	3,219
Total current assets	279,407	754,198
Fixed assets — cost (Note 2)	8,600,855	8,174,582
	$ 8,880,262	$ 8,928,780

LIABILITIES AND EQUITY

	1985	1984
Current:		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	$ 122,523	$ 475,356
Deposits	2,635	2,750
Due to Special Projects Fund	69,700	326,113
Total current liabilities	194,858	804,219
Mortgage payable	—	1,976,148
Equity		
Equity (deficit) (Statement 2)	84,549	(50,021)
Equity in fixed assets (Note 3)	8,600,855	6,198,434
	8,685,404	6,148,413
	$ 8,880,262	$ 8,928,780

SPECIAL PROJECTS FUND

Cash	$ 25,664	$ 22,609
Accounts receivable	11,178	1,931
Due from Revenue Fund	69,700	32,611
	$ 106,542	$ 350,653
Unexpended balance of special projects (Statement 3) (Note 6)	$ 106,542	$ 350,653
	$ 106,542	$ 350,653

(see accompanying notes)

THE WESTERN DEVELOPMENT MUSEUM FUND
REVENUE FUND
STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE AND FUND EQUITY
Year Ended March 31

	1985	1984
Revenue:		
Rentals, commissions and souvenir sales	$ 390,408	$ 410,883
Less: cost of sales	301,703	293,004
Gross profit	88,705	117,879
Grants — Province of Saskatchewan - Operating	1,598,268	987,225
— Saskatchewan Sport Trust - Capital	2,200,000	1,960,018
— National Museums of Canada	80,000	79,999
Other grants and donations	85,951	45,425
Admissions	133,177	140,956
Interest earned	59,645	22,485
Other income	20,553	31,539
	4,266,299	3,385,526
Expenditure:		
Salaries and benefits	1,149,284	1,002,434
Building maintenance and utilities	360,042	249,033
Exhibits and collections	36,483	27,979
General and administrative expense	243,658	198,956
Promotion and publicity	86,085	101,506
Acquisition of fixed assets (net of disposals)	2,085,694	988,837
Interest expense	170,483	242,932
	4,131,729	2,811,677
Excess of revenue over expenditure	134,570	573,849
Fund equity (deficit), beginning of year	(50,021)	(623,870)
Fund equity (deficit), end of year to Statement 1	$ 84,549	$ (50,021)

(see accompanying notes)

THE WESTERN DEVELOPMENT MUSEUM FUND
SPECIAL PROJECTS FUND
STATEMENT OF TRANSACTIONS BY PROJECT
Year Ended March 31, 1985

	Unexpended Mar. 31/84	Funds Received/ Receivable	Funds Expended	Unexpended Mar. 31/85
General Museum Reserve	$ 14,049	$	$ 4,356	$ 9,693
Lions Club Park Fund	469	38	—	507
North Battleford Bldg. Fund	1,347	109	—	1,456
Moose Jaw Capital Donation Fund	3,508	266	42	3,732
Colony House Fund	6,982	560	—	7,542
George Shepherd Library Fund	5,144	466	—	5,610
Yorkton Building Fund	(7,082)	5,061	1,546	(3,567)
Saskatchewan Wheat Pool Elevator	2,484	—	2,484	—
Membership Fund	5,408	18,121	11,894	11,635
Saskatoon Branch Upgrading	1,297	2,800	—	4,097
National Museums of Canada				
● Environmental Upgrading	270,000	30,000	300,000	—
● Registration Assistance	47,047	105,900	88,192	64,755
Government of Canada Grants				
● Summer Employment	—	15,847	15,847	—
● Section 38				
— material	—	52,784	52,784	—
— salaries paid directly by Employment branch	—	178,000	178,000	—
● Cultural Initiatives	—	7,652	6,570	1,082
	$350,653	$417,604	$661,715	$106,542

(see accompanying notes)

THE WESTERN DEVELOPMENT MUSEUM FUND
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
March 31, 1985

1. **Significant Accounting Policies**

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting policies that are considered appropriate for organizations of this type. Accordingly, these financial statements have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting, except as noted in note 1(b), and include the following significant accounting policies.

a) **Fixed Assets and Equity in Fixed Assets**

The amounts expended on land, buildings and equipment by the Revenue Fund and the Special Projects Fund together with major restoration costs of exhibits are capitalized in the accounts of the Revenue Fund during the year the asset is acquired with a corresponding equal amount being recorded in the accounts as either "Equity in fixed assets" or "Mortgage payable".

The acquisition costs of fixed assets are included in the Revenue Fund statement of revenue and expenditure and fund equity and in the Special Projects Fund statement of transactions by project in the year the assets are acquired except where assets are acquired and financed by means of loans which are secured by mortgages against the related assets; in which case the expenditures are reflected in the statement revenue and expenditure as the related principal portion of the loans are reduced. Accordingly, no depreciation is recorded in the accounts.

At the time of disposal or retirement the costs of assets disposed or retired are removed from the fixed asset accounts together with a corresponding entry to "Equity in fixed assets".

b) **Grant Revenue Recognition**

Operating and capital grants received from the Province of Saskatchewan or certain other non project related grants are recorded as revenue when received in the Revenue Fund.

Special project grant funds receivable are recorded when expenditures incurred exceed funds received on a project by project basis.

c) **Non-grant Revenue Recognition**

Admissions and other revenue are taken into operations when earned. Donations are recorded as revenue when received.

d) **Special Projects Fund**

The Special Projects Fund represents project oriented activities of the museum which are not financed out of normal operating revenue but rather are financed by project grants or by designated funds received. These projects are normally non-recurring. Funds received and expenditures incurred are reflected in these financial statements if the benefit of such expenditures accrues to the museum.

2. **Fixed Assets**

	Cost Mar. 31/84	Net Additions Revenue Fund	Net Additions Special Projects Fund	Cost Mar. 31/85
Buildings	$7,105,714	$ 71,351	$221,743	$7,398,808
Land	6,900	—	—	6,900
Furniture & Fixtures	128,200	22,282	6,570	157,052
Automotive & Shop Equipment	313,246	15,913	83,864	413,023
Exhibits	613,522	—	4,550	618,072
Other	7,000	—	—	7,000
	$8,174,582	$109,546	$316,727	$8,600,855

3. **Equity in Fixed Assets**

	Balance Mar. 31/84	Net Additions Revenue Fund	Net Additions Special Projects Fund	Net Additions Reduction in Mortgage Payable	Balance Mar. 31/85
Equity in Fixed Assets	$6,198,434	$109,546	$316,727	$1,976,148	$8,600,855

4. **Status of Museum**

The Western Development Museum Board was incorporated by The Western Development Museum Act, Chapter W-12, R.S.S. 1977-78 which established the Western Development Museum Fund.

5. **Contingent Liability**

A former employee of the Western Development Museum has commenced legal action against the museum for wrongful dismissal. The matter will be presented before the courts and the loss, if any, will be recorded in the 1985/86 statement of operations.

6. **Change in Accounting Policy — Special Projects Fund**

Funds received in advance of expenditures incurred are recorded as "unexpended balance of special projects." Previously, special project grant funds were recorded as revenue when received, with the excess of revenue over expenditure recorded as equity in special projects fund.

The prior year comparative amounts have been restated to reflect this change in accounting policy on a retroactive basis. This has resulted in the elimination of equity in special projects fund representing a reduction of $303,606 from the amount previously reported. As well, rather than providing a statement of revenue and expenditure and fund equity, a statement of transactions by project is included.

7. **Comparative Information**

Certain 1984 financial information has been reclassified to conform with the 1985 presentation.